



GW's Keith Morris, Mike Battle, and Haviland Harper (left to right) battle Boston University under the boards.

Photo by Joanne Smoler

GW A Winner!

GW held off visiting Boston University 80-74 Saturday night, assuring the Colonials of their second winning season in 13 years. The Buff are 14-5 with seven games left.

Since the 1959-60 season the only other GW squad to post a winning record was the 1968-69 team led by Bob Tallent, now a GW coach, which had a 14-11 mark.

The Colonials jumped off to a 16-4 lead and stayed on top through most of the fast-paced game. A second half BU surge, aided by the Terriers' effective press, tied the game at 68-68 with 3:59 remaining.

Then 6-11 Clyde Burwell scored four points and blocked two shots, Haviland Harper put in four points, and Mike Battle and Keith Morris each sank a clutch basket to wrap-up the victory.

Early in the second half, senior Battle, the Buff captain, became the 12th player in GW history to score 1,000 in his career. The hustling forward was awarded the game ball and received a standing ovation.

Soph guard Pat Tallent led all scorers with 23 points. BU's James Garvin, a 6-7 leaper, grabbed 21 rebounds and blocked seven shots. Vic Gathers scored 20 for the losers, now 11-6, who had a six game winning streak snapped.

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Faculty Senate to Face Investigation Resolution

by John Buchanan
Hatchet Staff Writer

The Faculty Senate will be presented with a resolution this Friday requesting the D.C. Bar Association to investigate GW's role in the recent rape trial involving two GW students if questions concerning the University's role in the case are not fully settled in pending related civil suit cases.

The resolution, passed unanimously by the Executive Committee of the Senate at its Jan. 26 meeting, does not call for an immediate investigation, nor does it call for University involvement in carrying out an investigation.

The current resolution differs from a resolution presented to the Senate last December by Prof. John F. Banzhaf III. Banzhaf, at a Dec. 6 meeting of the Faculty Senate, said he wanted the investigative committee to be appointed by three Faculty Senate members representing the law school. His resolution gave no indication as to whether the investigation should be delayed until the suits surrounding the case were resolved.

Banzhaf had no comment on the new resolution, but indicated he would be at next Friday's meeting and would take a specific position.

Some members of the Faculty Senate have already voiced opposition to undertaking an investigation prior to the pending civil suits.

One civil suit was filed by the mother of one of the GW students involved, claiming \$5,055,000 in damages, and charging the University and GW security guard Charles Finney with negligence.

Finney has filed a counterclaim for \$2,500,000, charging the plaintiffs with intentionally and wrongfully uttering false and slanderous statements.

Prof. Edwin Stevens, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Senate, indicated that it was the judgment of that committee that most, if not all, of the questions concerning GW's role will be answered during the handling of the lawsuits stemming from the two alleged sexual attacks.

Stevens also said that allegations of GW interference are "material for a grand jury,"

and could be more properly handled by such a body.

Political Science Prof. John Morgan did not believe that an impartial investigation could be held while suits connected to the case were still pending. Since litigants in the cases would have to be called upon in any investigation, Morgan felt that "voluntary testimony could be prejudiced for obvious reasons."

Faculty Senate members expressed reservations about the credibility of any investigation conducted by a University committee, particularly if that committee fails to turn up any evidence of unlawful interference by GW.

Morgan commented, "The best that could come out [of an investigation] would be that the University could come out as Mr. Clean -- and who would believe that?"

Statistics Prof. Arthur Kirsch, said he is "quite comfortable" that there has been no cover-up by the University and noted that if the general public is inclined to believe that doctors at the GW hospital can be pressured to alter medical reports for the benefit of the University, they would most likely be of a similar belief concerning any University related committee that came out with a favorable report.

Shortly after the trial, allegations were made that the University had asked the two doctors involved to solicit reports favorable to the defense. The doctors have since issued written denials of the charge.

If the resolution is adopted in its present form, any investigation will be carried out by the Committee on the Administration of Justice of the D.C. Bar Association.

Morgan felt the Bar Association would be better suited to carry out an investigation. He noted that it is already established, and would consequently be free of problems concerning the formation and operation of an ad hoc committee. He also noted that any investigation would be an investigation of allegations made by an Assistant U.S. Attorney who accused the University of aiding the defense, not of the University itself, and would thus be more appropriately handled by the Bar Association.

Morgan and Kirsch both expressed doubts that an investigation would turn up any evidence of wrongdoing by GW.

Discrimination Charged at Hospital

by Michele Deschenes
Hatchet Staff Writer

A GW hospital employee who was fired from his job last Friday has accused the hospital administrators of engaging in unfair practices toward employees.

Describing his supervisors as "slave-drivers," Leon Mitchell said, "Anything they say goes -- no questions asked. That's the kind of policy they have there. The supervisor asks you to do something, and if you have any questions, ask after you do the job."

Mitchell, a full-time employee of the GW Hospital and a part-time student here, was fired from his position as porter in the Housekeeping Division of the hospital because, according to one hospital employee, "he wasn't performing his duties."

Mitchell said Friday marked the last day of the 90-day probationary period on which he was placed

when he began working for the hospital on Nov. 2.

Although he was aware he was on probation, Mitchell said he had "no idea" why. But according to the GW Hospital Information Desk, a probationary period of 90 days is general procedure with all hospital employees.

In an interview Friday, Mitchell, who was unaware that his services had already been terminated, said he felt his supervisors and the hospital administrators had wanted to fire him since he began work. He cited his unwillingness to act like a "robot" for them and his activities as a negotiating member of Local Union 82, which is now in the process of proposing a new contract to the hospital administration, as possible reasons for dismissal.

Mitchell said the administrators seem to work together in a "buddy-buddy system" and their attitude toward Local Union 82

and individual employees is that "you're going to spoil our beautiful system."

He said Director of Housekeeping John Bohen "ordered me to punch out and leave," adding that he was not given any reasons for being asked to leave.

He said he did not follow Bohen's orders and returned after lunch. He then began to help a fellow employee when Bohen approached him and said, "I thought I told you to punch out."

Mitchell went to find his time card, still with no intention of leaving, he said, and discovered that "Bohen had taken the card and punched me out himself."

Bohen refused to comment on the issue.

Mitchell also said his supervisor, Mrs. Winslow, has "recommended my termination twice and has had me sign two termination slips, the second of which I refused." Mitchell explained that Winslow

gave him the first slip when he "spoke back to her" regarding an assignment she had given him, and the second slip resulted from similar behavior last Friday before his confrontation with Bohen.

The 21-year old employee said the hospital was also practicing "discrimination" against others, noting the case of a "gypsy family" who had come to visit one of their relatives. Mitchell said they were in violation of the hospital's visitation policy and under a nurse's orders were forced to leave by a security guard, although white visitors were permitted to violate the visitation policy, according to Mitchell.

Mitchell stated that he plans to contact his lawyer with the intention of suing the hospital for "slander of name and discrimination."

President of Local Union 82 George D. Tucker claimed that the union "will investigate Leon's case on Monday."

PIRG elections for local board members were conducted last week by the Student Volunteer Action Council. Nine GW students were chosen to hold the offices.

PIRG had originally called for eight board members whose job it would be to "make all the decisions concerning priorities and programs and to write the by-laws" of the organization, according to PIRG member Robert A. Chlopak.

When only nine petitions were filed for the office, it was decided to raise the number of local board members to nine and forego the voting.

The newly chosen members of the local board are: Doug Rawson, George C. Day, John Donohue, Kerry Pistner, Robert A. Chlopak, Steven D. Frenkil, Pamela L. Lawrence, Robert Gaines and Lisa Bramson.

Peace Corps and Vista recruiters will be on campus February 12-14 in the corridor near the Center information desk. They will be seeking interested senior students in the fields of health, business, agriculture, education, and skilled trades.

Belkacem Baccouche, one of the recruiters, expressed optimism concerning the recruitment response.

He said that there has been a marked increase in enrollment in the past few years. He attributed this to the

employment problem and the fact that "more and more people are interested in going abroad."

Anyone desiring more information or interested in recruiting is welcome to stop in at the Peace Corps/Vista recruiting office at 812 Connecticut Ave., N.W.

"Working with handicapped children is a rewarding experience," said GW sophomore Craig Gandolf, who works with handicapped Boy Scouts.

There is a "feeling of accomplishment" in "making kids' lives happier," Gandolf stated. He functions in a semi-teaching capacity, helping the Scouts complete projects by which they earn merit badges.

Gandolf's interest in children stems from his interest in psychology, his major, and especially in the area dealing with teenage problems.

Pre-med student Linda Rankin works with handicapped Girl Scouts. Their activities consist of swimming, cooking, sewing and the usual Girl Scout functions such as flag-raising ceremonies.

Rankin said that for some students this is an extra-curricular activity, while others do this work in conjunction with courses at GW.

The program is sponsored by SERVE, a GW service organization, and the United Cerebral Palsy Fund. It

originated at a D.C. public school for the handicapped in conjunction with the D.C. recreation program.

A variety of novel items is what organizer Peter Squire hopes will make this year's Martha's Marathon of Birthday Bargains (MMBB) at GW a financial as well as a social success.

MMBB, a yearly auction highlighting Martha Washington's birthday, is sponsored by the Residence Hall Association to raise scholarship funds for room and board. Contributions from well-known people in the University, community, and Capitol Hill are auctioned off to students.

This year's eighth annual Marathon, to be held Feb. 23 at the Century Ballroom, will feature, among other things, lunch with Art Buchwald, a case of Coors beer, lunch with Dean Williams Rutledge, a year's free parking, and, hopefully, tokens from Richard Nixon and Tom Eagleton. Dr. S. O. Schiff is expected to act as auctioneer.

Squire hopes to accomplish the two-fold objective of providing interesting items for GW students and a large sum for the scholarship fund, saying, "Why take \$5 or \$10 for a pen from Senator Muskie when you can get \$50 for a lunch with him?"

Two major areas of study have been added to the GW curriculum. The

program in Urban Affairs leads to a Bachelor of Arts degree and the program in Women's Studies leads to a Master of Arts degree.

Prof. Stephen W. Burks, director of Urban Affairs, noted that the program approaches the area of urban affairs from three levels: theory, research methods, and practical experience.

The program is designed to prepare degree candidates for various positions in a changing market, ranging from policy making and analysis.

to legislative assistants and city counselors.

Burks noted that the courses offered are a "... composite of primarily existing courses in the social sciences, to which more will be added according to student interest."

Since its establishment last fall, Burks stated that the initial response has been "very encouraging."

Dr. Ruth H. Osborn, coordinator of Women's Studies, said that the program was instituted because of "...need for women who can be experts about women."

The degree is designed for women interested in such careers as counseling, teaching, management and research, with emphasis on women.

Osborn pointed out that learning about the historical achievements of women, in a systematic approach, is the only way that "the consciousness of women can be raised."

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Community Bookshop Aids P Street Area Residents

by Margie Schaffel
Hatchet Staff Writer

The Community Bookshop, 2028 P St., N.W., serves the DC area not only as a bookshop specializing in radical politics, but as a sponsor and coordinator of many community activities, according to Jim Stark, one of The Bookshop co-ordinators.

"Community service, rather than profit is the idea under which the collective of three paid coordinators and numerous volunteers choose to operate," says Stark.

"Whatever profits are made after selling books are channeled back into the community in various ways," Stark said. "Book donations are made to community causes including prison libraries around the D.C. area and the Women's Center library."

The bookstore occupies the first floor of the building, and the second floor is used as a community meeting room. Free space is provided by the Community Bookshop for any group in need of a gathering place.

Weekly films and poetry readings have taken place this past year, and the bookshop will sponsor The Womens' Fest, March 3-18, featuring poet Rita Mae Brown and a Women's Dance.

The kinds of books kept in stock, the events that are sponsored, and the general direction of the bookstore are completely in the hands of those working at the bookshop at any given time, said Stark. Meetings are held every first and third Wednesday night for community input. The three co-ordinators are chosen from among the volunteers and serve for 6 months.

According to Stark, "the Community Bookshop was established in 1969 by David

Marcuse, but soon after the shop began, Marcuse turned his one-man leadership into a collective. The original contributors and volunteers were mostly middle-aged, old-line communists, whose political views were Soviet-oriented. Gradually, younger people took interest in and responsibility for the Bookshop, and began to introduce concern for the rights of women and gay people, said Stark, adding that these issues were largely overlooked by the original collective.

At present the direction of the Community Bookshop, according to Jimmy Stark is "more towards radical anti-sexist politics with specific sections on women, gays and children."

Four Asked to Resign From Elections Comm.

Barry Goldstein, chairman of the Political Affairs Committee of the Program Board, has requested the resignations of election committee members Joe DeRiggi, Scott Sklar, Jeff Leiter, and chairman Roger Schecter.

The elections committee is the supervising body that presides over the election of new officers of the Program and Operations Boards.

Goldstein claims that each of these individuals has been embroiled in "partisan political infighting" and are therefore unfit to serve on a committee which requires non-partisanship.

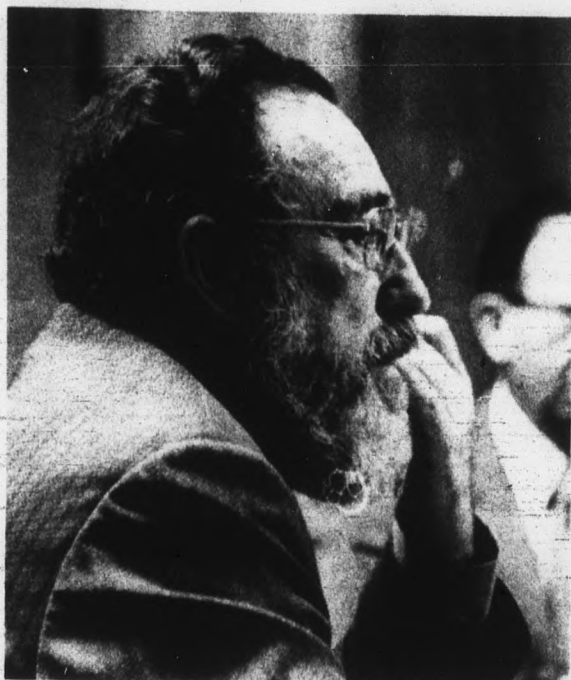
He went on to say that Sklar and Leiter have turned in their resignations as a "symbol of their desire to have fair elections," but Schecter and DeRiggi have adamantly refused, stating that they can conduct impartial elections.

Goldstein charges that Schecter was involved in a conflict over alleged violations of election rules last year. In a letter to the Hatchet, Goldstein state, "I was in the room when Schecter... acknowledged violating the rules, told us what story he would tell the elections committee and the Hatchet and asked me not to tell anyone about it."

Schecter responded that last year's conflict "was settled by the Governing Board and is a dead issue," adding that anyone "can testify that I've been effective and objective all year."

In recent interviews, both Schecter and DeRiggi reaffirmed their ability to act fairly in the forthcoming elections.

by David Goldstein



Marvin Braderman, Director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregation and the Religious Action Committee, spoke to an audience of 20 at the B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation Friday. Braderman said the Union has adopted a "world-view" and feels that all Jews should develop more concern for national Jewish problems.

Bookstore to Buy Used Books

GW bookstore General Manager Monroe Hurwitz stated in a recent interview that the bookstore refused to buy back used books unless GW teachers acknowledge that the books will be used for the next semester.

The major factor determining which books can be brought back lies with the teacher and his choice of texts for each semester, said Hurwitz.

"Surprisingly enough, people are not looking for used books. Students want their own books and to do their own marking," said the manager.

He added that on the junior, senior and graduate levels, when students are working in their major fields, "students keep their books because they will be able to use them later on."

GW professors and instructors must file an "adoption slip" with the bookstore, with the

titles required for the course and the expected enrollment. For the summer semester these slips must be filed by April 23, and by May 7 for the fall semester.

Hurwitz said that the bookstore will be buying used books May 2 and 3 during finals week.

"Our object is to make sure that students have the books for the course," Hurwitz said. He explained that any shortages are usually due to unexpected large enrollment or publisher shortage.

"We try to keep enough books on hand without buying too many," commented Hurwitz. The bookstore has no storage facilities and therefore can't keep extra copies around, according to the manager.

by Lenny Benowich

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Once And For All

The resolution proposed by the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate regarding GW's role in the recent rape trial (story, p.1) appears to us a welcome, though belated, step in the right direction.

The proposed resolution, which is on the agenda for the Senate's Feb. 9 meeting, demonstrates a new willingness on the part of faculty members to acknowledge the existence of some very disturbing questions. Those questions focus on the propriety of GW's action in the preparation of the case against the accused assailant of two GW students.

At this point, the recommendation that any investigation be delayed until after the conclusion of the civil cases seems reasonable. Moreover, the signing of a new confession by Butler last month casts additional confusion on the disposition of the case, and raises the spectre of further legal action, perhaps against GW employees. In light of the confusion surrounding the future of the case and the possibility of further court action, a private investigation of GW's involvement would be inappropriate.

We also support the call for an investigation by the D.C. Bar Association. While the request for an investigation by an outside group may appear to be a cop-out, we can foresee the possibility of a GW investigation being labeled a whitewash. Perhaps the most searching investigation can best be conducted by those who have no vested interest in the reputation of this University or its employees.

We think the proposed resolution is a sound one. It cannot be interpreted by members of the Senate as an impetuous witch hunt, nor can its authors be considered radicals or glory-seekers, qualities wrongly attributed to Prof. Banzhaf when he first proposed an investigation. The Senate has had time to deliberate. The time has come for an official GW body to take steps to insure that the questions and doubts which remain will be cleared up once and for all.

Losing Fans

Now that GW has a winning basketball team, it is time for the Colonial fans to stop acting like losers.

The conduct of GW students at the home games has been at times atrocious. Last Saturday, fans reacted to questionable officiating by throwing beer cans and oranges on the court. This immature behavior only impedes the progress of the game.

It is one thing not to stand for the national anthem, but it is another to rudely cheer and talk while it is playing. Surely college students can keep quiet for three minutes.

When it comes to criticizing Coach Carl Slone, GW partisans are all experts at the game. Yet these same experts seldom appreciate good performances by opposing players. There is nothing wrong with complimenting a fine effort, such as those we have seen by Catholic's Bob Adrien and Boston's James Garvin, with an ovation.

Student support has been an important factor in the Colonials' success. We urge students to continually add their vociferous support. However, there is a fine line between exuberance and rudeness.



Industry Needs Control

by Robert Kahn

In viewing the complexion of American politics today as compared to ten years ago, it now seems bleached. Where has our idealism, our youth, our vitality gone? With the Kennedy and Johnson years we saw a progressive America filled with the intricate programs and hopes of the "Great Society."

Most of American would attribute our present discontent to the Vietnam war. It is true, the bombs dropped over Vietnam not only destroyed much of that nation, but also drove a wedge through America, thereby polarizing the factions within our own country. Yet it would be a mistake to assume that this is the only, or even the most important reason for the present political ideological turnabout; re-alignment so vast as to give Richard Nixon the greatest victory in modern political history.

In the early 1960's the many programs of progressive America were oversold and underachieved. Our expectations were raised, yet through the waste and repetition so characteristic of the federal government, those programs accomplished little more than raise our taxes and frustrate our populace.

Just as we overreacted to the prospects of those programs' successes, so too are we now overreacting to their failures. America is more than ever looking to traditional, ideologically conservative thought for the answers. The concept of limitation of the federal government, almost to the point of elimination of all regulatory agencies, seems to be growing in popularity. Conservatives believe that by entrusting to private industry what we have always left to the government, more efficient results will be produced; the profit motive will cure all evils. To these people I suggest examining the record.

After the many racial riots of the late '60s small businesses in our cities' ghettos were

reclassified by the insurance industry as being within high risk areas; the fire and burglary policies of these businesses were dropped. The only alternative left to these businesses was to lock-up. Their closing would have meant economic stagnation in the ghettos and even more unrest.

The insurance industries' profit-motivated consciences felt no obligation to act. Inner city economic disaster was averted not by private industry, but by swift government action. Witness further how little progress toward safer cars was made by self-imposed auto industry regulations. Further, imagine a world free of regulatory control of the telephone company.

A laissez-faire system may be very attractive in ideological form, but in reality it is completely unrealistic. The consumer has traditionally been victimized by the unscrupulous psychological ploys of Madison Avenue. It isn't how good your razor blade is, it's how sexy the girl selling it is. Without any government control, how can our misguided conservative brethren believe this economic rape with ever cease?

No, free enterprise has its limitations. I would be very skeptical of how the president of General Motors would deal with the welfare problem, control of TV advertising and licensing or civil rights.

It is true that our government agencies need considerable overhaul. We need to reform the Civil Service and thereby reinstitute competition in government, just as we need to condense the governmental bureaucracy so as to eliminate much of the waste. But we do need government control to deal with the problem-solving that private industry does not find profitable.

Elimination of all government regulation would be like trying to sore throat by amputating one's head.

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LETTERS TO THE Editor

The Hatchet Sports page, to put it bluntly, has become a joke. Recently, instead of providing the amount of coverage of the GW basketball season that we Hatchet readers have a right to expect, the sports page has consisted of a few facts and figures on past games as well as ticket information about upcoming home dates. And that is all! No features on future opponents are provided, little real analysis of Colonial court play and coaching strategy is offered, and a lack of substantive information about team members is evident.

Yet the fault is not that of the Hatchet Sports Staff. Rather,

the blame must be shared by the Hatchet editors who consistently allot an absurdly small amount of space to sports, and the University budgetary personnel, who provide the Hatchet such a meager subsidy that they are forced to devote too much space to paid advertisements.

Someone had better wake up to the fact that the Hatchet cannot continue operating at this level of mediocrity. Indeed the lack of relevant information on the sports page is only part of a similar problem which pervades all sections of the Hatchet. The quantity and comprehensiveness of coverage of GW events by the Hatchet

simply has got to improve.

Ron Tipton
Hatchet Sports Editor
1969-1970

What does one do when he sees the decay of a noble idea? An idea founded on all the energetic wisdom that could be engendered by a generation. An idea, delivered in a time of war when unrest among men was a reflection of their disquieted souls.

For as an idea manifests and grows, so does a nation of people. A nation which reflected the subtle flow of civilization has begun to reflect "conflicting world views, polarity of values

Sororities More Than Senior Prom

by Becky Dickinson

The words "sorority girl" traditionally call to one's mind the image of a flighty "sweet young thing" who spent her college days engaged in making floats for homecoming, longing to be a beauty queen, and husband-hunting among fraternities. This description is no longer accurate; it is in direct contrast to the true variety and individualism of the present members of sororities. Times have changed, girls have changed, sororities have changed.

1965-66 was the peak year for sororities at GW; in the fall of 1965, 316 women in 14 chapters returned to campus, and about 150 more girls were pledged that year.

In 1967 the Student Life Committee (the activities committee which set regulations for campus organizations) drafted a formal Human Relations Act for the university barring discrimination of any sort in campus organizations.

The national regulations and local bylaws of all the Greek organizations were investigated to ensure that they were not

discriminatory; it was found that some were. In many cases, the local chapters were willing to comply with the Human Relations Act but their nationals were not. For this reason the chapters had their charters lifted against their wishes.

Also at this time there was a nationwide growing student resentment toward traditional established activities. This was reflected by a sharp membership drop among sororities. In the fall of 1969 there were only seven sororities with 132 active members on campus. That year four more chapters folded, leaving only the three now in existence: Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Delta Gamma.

These 3 sororities complied in full with the Human Relations Act and were able to meet the challenge of the changing character of the girls then entering college. They were girls who were not frivolous "Suzie Sororities" concerned mainly with social life, but politically and socially concerned individuals who would demand much of any organization to

which they devoted their energies.

Sororities Moving Up

Sororities are now reaching the peak membership levels of 1965-1966 and the members still display individualism and commitment. They are involved in such diverse activities as work on Capitol Hill for their senators and representatives, jobs in law offices (including that of a consumer advocate), clinical work in speech pathology at the GW reading center, and public relations work for the Department of Labor. On campus they are members of the and work on Capitol Hill for their senators and representatives, jobs in law offices including that of a consumer advocate, clinical work in speech pathology at the GW reading center, and public relations work for the Department of Labor. On campus they are members of the crew team, the GW dance company, the Program Board, and the staff of the radio station, WRGW.

Within the sororities there are service foundations which work

for the blind and the speech handicapped, and which sponsor exchange student programs and provide scholarships for members. The Panhellenic Council coordinates inter-sorority service projects and social activities.

Although "partying" is not an integral part of sorority life, social life in terms of the personal relationships formed is very important. At a big city school such as GW the atmosphere tends to be impersonal. There is no unified feeling among the students; there is a lack of student community. Sorority life fills the gap by giving a girl a small, close group to work and relax with, a chance to meet people on a more personal level and to form friendships more quickly. It gives her a place with a home-like atmosphere to go to.

But what motivates the whole movement? What underlies a girl's desire to join and then perhaps to give further of her time and of herself by being an officer of her sorority? This motivation, the very essence of sorority life, is called sisterhood.

Sisterhood is a difficult bond to define but it is very real and very special. It is a feeling of mutual concern and reliance, the sharing of joys and of sorrows; unity not through conformity but through common personal values; a desire to give as one has gained. A recent (Delta Gamma) initiate has perhaps defined it best by describing her organization as "...more than a social fraternity. It is a really a collection of unique individuals, each one holding a personal secret of life. Each one carrying a different map to happiness, and each one enthusiastic and wanting to share the beauty of life with other girls."

Becky Dickinson is a freshman at GW. She is also panhellenic delegate for the Delta Gamma sorority.



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Letters to Editor Continued

and confused visions."

In such an environment of tension, where does one seek out wisdom? The task of all existence is harmony.

Eric Lodge

In the Hatchet of Feb. 1 Karen O'Brien responds to an earlier column I wrote entitled "There are no Liberal Democrats." While accusing me of using "impeccably lousy reasoning," she proceeds to use a definition from Webster of liberalism that is virtually identical in meaning, if not in words, to my own. It would seem to me to be a case of "lousy reasoning" when she defines a liberal as believing in the "autonomy of the individual" and then proceeds to indicate her support of such governmental programs as social security which force the individual to comply and contribute. O'Brien seems to think one can be free despite economic coercion by the State. I conversely do not believe one is free if he is subject to any social or economic coercion by the State so long as he doesn't trespass on the rights of property of another.

O'Brien also states that no "humane" person would advocate the abolition of social security, etc. I see nothing humane about the Government making individuals chattels of the State and providing one sustenance without earning it. Such programs force their "beneficiaries" to exchange their freedom for the dubious security that depends on the caprice of the State.

Lastly, O'Brien terms me

"greedy" for believing that the State should not strip anyone of their fundamental rights. She is making a dangerous accusation in inferring from my political ethics my private attitudes. Greed would seem to be a trait of those like the AFL-CIO, Lockheed Aircraft, et al., and the Welfare Rights Organization, who try to win from the State an economic reward not justified by their efforts.

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'Serpent of Ai' Depicts Life of God

by Sher Tunis
Hatchet Staff Writer

The world premiere of *The Serpent of Ai* opened Saturday night at the University Center Theater. The play, written by William Abbey, who is described in the program as "a Renaissance man of the modern age," depicts the life of God on one level, and the fallibility of the Divinity on another.

In the play we find God Jehovah repeatedly confounded and stymied by the Israelite peasant woman Shuah. The city of Ai was the object of God's wrath. In this wrath, he supposedly caused the death of all of the city's inhabitants. But this was not so.

Amidst the death and destruction, Shuah stumbles upon a lone infant of Ai and takes him as her own. As a consequence of this action, a series of events follows (i.e. the appearance of the Serpent, the death of Shuah's brother-in-law, the survival of the infant Bethel,

and Shuah's own destruction).

The play has many humorous moments. Much of this humor may be attributed to the comical performances turned in by Tyrone O'Neal as the bumbling, incompetent God, and Pinkney Mikell as Joshua.

Several of the characters, such as the Chronicler and the Computer, were ill defined and had a tendency to confuse the main action of the play. Both of the characters were meant to comment and give information to the audience about the main action on stage. However, they did not lend anything to the play in general.

More rehearsal would have been in order for the townspeople. After a poor rendition of "Jericho," God dropped the wall upon them and they deserved it.

Highlights of the evening included an excellent portrayal of the mythological serpent, cleverly done by Robert Gibson. Robyn Press was quite convincing as the tragic Shuah.

The stage utilized four focal points of action. A great deal of the performance took place on various platforms. Unfortunately, the director put too much action on the platforms at one time and this tended to cause too much competition and confusion. Hence, much of the effect of the play got lost in the shuffle.

Slide projections of the moon, stars and the earth were beautiful, but did not seem to

lend anything to the play itself. The computer set looked like a passable imitation of something out of Star Trek. There is really not much you can do with costumes for this time period. They were colorful and did not detract from the play and in this they served their purpose.

Although the play was initially slow, it began to gain momentum after the first 15 minutes and from then on, it kept at a fairly even pace. The

opening night audience was quite responsive and seemed to enjoy the play tremendously.

Overall, *The Serpent of Ai* was a bright witty commentary on the relationship between man and his God. Dean Munroe, the director, did a fine job of casting. Most of the performers were well rehearsed and quite amusing. The play runs through Feb. 11 in the Center Theater. Tickets are on sale at the Theater box office.

Sills in Stunning Recital

by Charles Venin

New York City Opera star Beverly Sills not only has a great voice, but she has the uncanny ability to charm an audience by simply standing on stage and nodding "thanks" to the enthusiastic applause she generates from her fans.

Saturday night Sills displayed her brilliant talents during a recital in the Concert Hall of the Kennedy Center. She effortlessly ran through a program which included Handel's "Care selve" from "Atalanta," Brahms' "Wiegenlied" ("Lullaby"); and

Faure's "Poem d'un jour."

Sills selected her songs well. In each she was able to present the various aspects of her voice which make her one of the greatest sopranos of our day. Rich warmth radiated from her as she sang the well-known Brahms' "Lullaby" (a work not often performed by concert recitalists).

Although she sings lyric pieces well ("poem d'un jour" for example), Sills is most comfortable in the "showcase" songs which show off her fantastic coloratura qualities.

She sailed through the difficult obbligato in Mozart's "Marten aller Arten" from "The Abduction from the Seraglio" as easy as you and I speak.

In addition to her vocal talents, Sills is an actress of considerable talent. She puts into everything she sings the proper emotions. Her acting ability was clearly seen as she sang Vincenzo Bellini's "Casta diva" from "Norma." In "Casta diva" she was, as she is in everything she performs, right on top of the music. She balances the legato expressive parts beautifully against the light, lyric ones.

It is no wonder that Sills sings her best in such coloratura roles as Lucia, Manon and Norma and she is best known for these roles. Adding to her repertoire, Sills will perform the title role in "Anna Bolena" this year.

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NIT: 'Four More Wins'

Before the current college basketball season started, GW head coach Carl Slone said his team would have to win at least 16 games before he would even think about post-season tournaments.

by Jay Krupin

Saturday night the Colonials closed in on that threshold as they defeated a very potent and aggressive Boston University squad at Ft. Myer, 80-74. The Buff's season record now stands at 14-5 with seven games remaining.

"I would say if we win four of our remaining games, we'd have a pretty good chance of being invited to the NIT," said Slone. The coach realized, though, that the seven games to come are the most difficult in the schedule.

"We have to play Virginia Tech which upset Florida State and we have to meet Temple who really showed up American. We also have Cincinnati and Syracuse on our schedule," commented the Coach.

If Boston was to be challenged at a later date, Slone probably would have added them to the list of tough competition with which the Buff must contend.

According to Slone, Boston is destined to become the Yankee Conference champions this year and are second only to Providence in the New England area.

Now that the Terriers have been conquered, the light leading the avenue to the NIT is much brighter. This was a "must" game for the Colonials. They rose to the occasion and met their challenge handily.

Mike Battle played "his best defensive game of the year against Boston" in the words of Coach Slone. He, as well as the other three upperclassmen on the squad, are going to have to be leaders for the Buff who have

four sophomores in the starting line-up.

"The NIT is possible especially since we have gotten this far with such a young team. But, Battle, Click, Rosepink, and Smith are going to have to perform in top form for us to make it," said Slone.

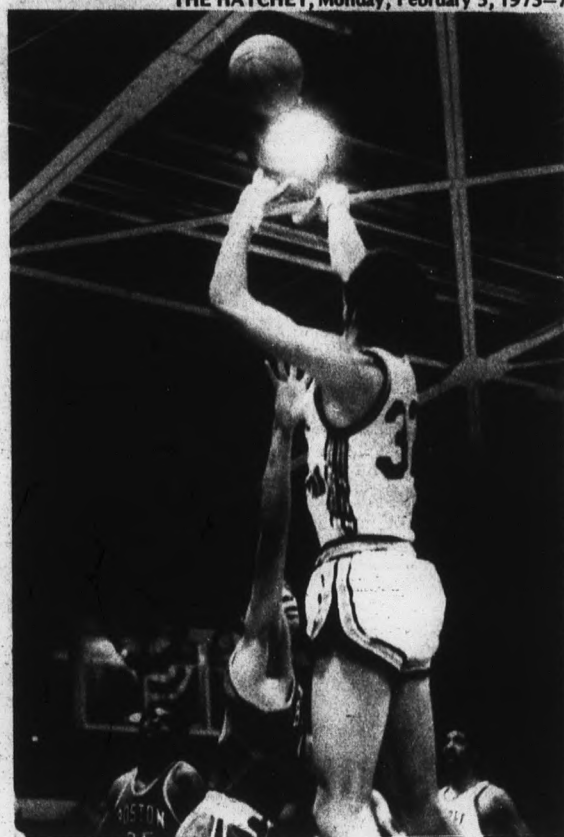
The GW mentor remarked on the effect of the student support behind the Colonials.

"I would really love to see this place (Ft. Myer) filled for the rest of our home games. GW now has a team they can be proud of. We need the students' yelling and stomping the bleachers."

"It fires us up to hear the noise and shouting. I'm real glad to hear them scream 'NIT'. If we're going to make it, we are going to need them behind us all the way."

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Battle	5-10	2-7	12	1	12	
Rosepink	1-5	0-0	1	0	2	
Smith	0-4	0-0	4	1	0	
Click	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	
Totals	32-70	14-19	46	8	80	
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Haviland Harper scores against Boston University.

Photo by Joanne Smoler

JV Sweeps Past Richmond

The GW JV rolled to a convincing 89-70 victory over the visiting University of Richmond JV Saturday night.

by Mike Suder

The Baby Buff, in beating the Spiders for the second time this season, got off to a slow start. The absence of starting guard Jim Peters, who is still out with an ankle injury, hurt the Colonial's playmaking and ballhandling.

But once GW got organized, the game was not much of a contest. With the score still close midway through the first half, the Colonials utilized the inside play of Greg Miller. The 6-5 freshman rambled off eight straight Buff points, giving GW a commanding lead that it never relinquished.

At the start of the second half with GW leading 38-27, the Buff broke it wide open. Behind the consistent scoring of Dave Emanuel and the Connie Hawkin's-like moves of Charlie Rideout, the Colonials ran away from Richmond.

When Clyde Tackett drove the middle and laid in a scoop shot, he gave GW their biggest lead of

the game, 63-38. Richmond staged a mild comeback and cut the Colonials' lead to 63-51.

But baskets by Rideout and Miller crushed the Spiders for good. Emanuel led the Baby Buff with 24 points, while Miller added 21, and Rideout 19.

The victory marked the coaching debuts of graduate

assistants Mike Tallent and Lenny Baltimore in the absence of JV Coach Bob Tallent, who was recruiting in the Midwest.

The Baby Buff, who raised their record to 7-4, host Maryland Feb. 10. GW defeated its Maryland counterparts earlier in the season by a score of 73-70.

Sports Shorts

Wrestlers Win First

The GW wrestling team captured their first win of the season as they traveled to Old Dominion on Saturday to compete in a triple meet.

The Colonial grapplers edged Norfolk State after bowing to the host team and East Carolina. Both of the Buff's conquerors are Southern powerhouses, as each squad contains nationally ranked wrestlers.

Old Dominion and East Carolina both registered shutouts over the Buff, but the lopsided scores do not tell the whole story, as GW wrestled well, and did not have any contestant pinned in either match.

Steve Silberman, Mark Segel, Charles Portner, and Bob Huberman all recorded pins for the Buff.

The GW Rugby Club will hold an open house recruiting party Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 8:30 p.m., in the University Center, room 410. Film clips will be shown and beer will be provided.

Head Coach Carl Slone and several members of the varsity basketball team will appear tonight on Channel 26's All-Metro Sports Show at 7:30 p.m.

GW to Face Pitt, Temple

The Colonials, hoping for an NIT bid, will be confronted with a crucial test over the next few weeks, beginning with Pittsburgh and Temple.

GW will host Pitt this Saturday. The Panthers are led by the highly touted All-American candidate Bill Knight. The 6-7 junior forward topped Pitt in scoring and rebounding last season, connecting for 21 points per game.

Free student tickets will be available for this contest beginning 10 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 7. Last chance to pick up tickets will be Friday, Feb. 9, at 10 p.m.

Following the Pitt game the Buff will travel to Philadelphia and battle Temple and the often unnerving Palestra fans on Valentine's Day. The contest will mark the homecoming for sophomores Clyde Burwell and Haviland Harper.

The Owls are coming off an impressive 71-60 win over American at Fort Myer on Saturday. The Buff split a two game series with AU this season.

Temple features a balanced scoring attack and a tenacious defense. The Owls are presently tenth in the nation in limiting the point production of their opponents.

The Program Board is sponsoring a trip to Philadelphia for the game. Cost for the round trip bus ride and tickets will be approximately \$8.50. For reservations contact Aaron Pattak (evenings - 337-3288). The deadline is Thursday, Feb. 8.

GW will face Temple in the nightcap of a doubleheader. Villanova and Canisius meet in the first game.



Silky smooth frosh Greg Miller scores on solo against Richmond.

Photo by Joanne Smoler

Outlook Bright For Miller

It's been a modestly good year for the JV (7-4) thus far. It's been a very good year for freshman Greg Miller. The two facts are by no means unrelated.

by Drew Trachtenberg

Miller, a 6-5 product of East Stroudsburg, Pa., has led the Baby Buff this year, averaging over 20 points per game and a 9.4 rebound average.

He came to GW with great confidence and his performance this year has not let him nor anyone else down. "I feel that I arrived at the proper stage of my development," said Miller. "I was as prepared as I should have been."

Miller has been able to take the transition from high school ball to that of the collegiate level with relative ease. His role now is similar to the one he played at East Stroudsburg High.

"For the last two years I've played guard, forward, and center. This year I bring the ball up court, play forward most of the time, and jump center. Not much difference."

One thing that has changed for Miller, however, is the increase in physical play. And he is well

aware that it will continue to increase.

"I realize that I have to become more aggressive off of the boards, especially offensively," noted Miller. This is not an idle threat either. Miller has already made arrangements to build up his strength and weight while working at a basketball camp in the Poconos this summer.

Miller knows that he will need both the weight and strength if he is to make the significant contribution to next year's varsity that he anticipates. He is confident, however, that he will be able to utilize his extreme quickness to outduel the tough opponents that he will undoubtedly challenge.

These tough opponents will undoubtedly meet Miller's expectations but so far he has been somewhat disappointed in the quality of the competition. "For the most part we've been facing lesser teams as a result of many freshmen now playing varsity ball," said Miller.

Miller will get his chance against better competition. But he need not worry, as his basketball future, like that of the Colonials, is very bright. And by no means are the two facts unrelated.

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